

## **Executive Committee Meeting Minutes – Monday, October 27, 2003**

Chairman Dwyer called the meeting to order at 7:30 a.m. and led the Committee in the Pledge of Allegiance.

**Present:** Chairman James Dwyer, County Board Supervisors Patricia Haukohl, Kenneth Herro, Walter Kolb, Richard Manke, Duane Paulson and Duane Stamsta.

**Also Present:** Chief of Staff Lee Esler, Legislative Policy Advisor Mark Mader, UW-Extension Director Marcia Jante, UW Extension Director Marcia Jante, Community Development Coordinator Glen Lewinski, Senior Financial Analyst Clara Daniels, Office Services Coordinator Windy Jicha, Supervisor Bonnie Morris, Program Assistant Nancy Mojica, Supervisor Jim Behrend, Supervisor Rodell Singert.

### **Discuss and Consider Ordinance 158-O-087: Authorize the Waukesha County University of Wisconsin Extension to Accept School District of Waukesha 21st Century Community Learning Center Grant Funds**

**MOTION:** Stamsta moved, Haukohl second, to approve Ordinance 158-O-087: Authorize the Waukesha County University of Wisconsin Extension to Accept School District of Waukesha 21st Century Community Learning Center Grant Funds.

Jante distributed a handout showing the project goals and outcomes achieved through this grant. Jante said this ordinance authorizes the Waukesha County UW Extension office to partner with the School District of Waukesha by receiving a continuing 21<sup>st</sup> Century Community Learning subgrantee award in an amount not to exceed \$200,000. This grant award represents the third year of funding and continues the UW Extension support of two Community Learning Centers at Saratoga School in the Haertel Field neighborhood and White Rock School in the Phoenix Heights neighborhood. The federal allocation extends through May 31, 2004 with carryover privileges. Any unused amounts of funding at the end of fiscal year 2003 will require future County Board approval to carry over the grant to the 2004 budget. The fiscal note for the ordinance outlines the UW Extension budget expenditures.

Jante said Saratoga and White Rock Schools are the only schools in Waukesha County that qualify for this grant. UW Extension has surveyed teachers at these schools and found that the children participating in this program are better behaved in the classroom and have improved grades in math and English. The curriculum for these programs is developed weekly depending on the current issues at the schools. The funding for this program used to come from the federal government. The federal government saw the popularity in the program and shifted the grant to the states through block grants.

**ON THE MOTION: Motion carried: 7-0.**

### **Discuss and Consider Ordinance 158-O-088: Modify the 2003 Budget for Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) and HOME Investment Partnership (HOME) Program**

**MOTION:** Haukohl moved, Manke second, to approve Ordinance 158-O-088: Modify the 2003 Budget for Community Development Block Grant(CDBG) and HOME Investment Partnership (HOME) Program.

Esler pointed out to the committee that line 12 of the ordinance should have the amount \$936,352 instead of \$935,352.

Lewinski said this ordinance authorizes the Community Development 2003 budget to be modified by appropriating up to \$1,235,352 of program income. Actual program income received from January 1 through September 20, 2003 is \$935,352 and \$300,000 is estimated for the period of October 1 to December 31, 2003. Increasing budget expenditure authority in the am amounts will allow additional loans to be made for the programs specified in the ordinance. The CDBG and HOME programs that will be affected by this ordinance are as follows: Waukesha County Economic Development Corporation (\$240,000), Community Housing

Initiative – Housing Rehab. Program (\$409,365), City of Waukesha HRAP (\$41,307), Historic Preservation Fund (\$6,954), Housing Development Fund (\$36,500) and HOME Investment Partnership (\$201,226).

Lewinski said that when a loan is refinanced, the county gets repaid immediately. There were many loans refinanced during the past year which delivered a higher repayment rate and program income than normally experienced. Historically, these rates bounce all over the place. They have not had any loans defaulted in this program.

Kolb would vote for this grant if all the monies given to the participants were paid back 100%. He thinks if the homeowners are gaining equity, there is no reason to give people charity. He thinks if someone puts their own money down on a house, they will take better care of it and have more pride in ownership.

Paulson asked how much money have we put into grants? Lewinski said \$350,000 per year for the last six years. Some of these loans/grants are still outstanding but that is due to the timing on the loans.

Lewinski said new construction developers have not received money from this program because none in Waukesha County are building affordable living complexes. Some of the HOME money has gone to downtown Waukesha to help redevelop the housing units above the storefronts.

Lewinski said they have an opening on the HOME board if Kolb would like to fill it. Kolb said he is awfully tempted to participate. The problem is that his business would suffer if he took on any additional responsibilities.

**ON THE MOTION: Motion carried: 6-1 (Kolb voted no).**

**Discuss and Consider Ordinance 158-O-089: Executive Subgrantee Agreements, HUD Grant Agreement and Funding Application for Final Statement of Objectives and Projected Use of Funds and Expenditure for Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) and HOME Investment Partnership Programs for the 2004 Program Year**

**MOTION:** Stamsta moved, Paulson second, to approve Ordinance 158-O-089: Executive Subgrantee Agreements, HUD Grant Agreement and Funding Application for Final Statement of Objectives and Projected Use of Funds and Expenditure for Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) and HOME Investment Partnership Programs for the 2004 Program Year.

Herro asked what the \$22,000 given to La Casa is for? Lewinski said these funds go for job training in such things as computer training, ESL, resume writing, job search skills, etc. The training is based on what is happening in the community.

Lewinski further explained the distribution of grant monies. The restoration funds go to historic properties. The Waukesha County 211 line is the first such program in the country to be accredited and the funding provides program staffing. Monies going to the Waukesha County Historical Society are in response to a request from the County Board for the organization to seek alternative funding. They get many requests for funding but they are unable to provide funding for all of requests and maximize their funding requirements. There are no funds going to the WCEDC because they had enough carryover funds last year and therefore didn't request any funding. There are a lot of accessibility and planning projects using funds.

**Motion carried: 6-1 (Kolb voted no).**

**Discuss and Consider Ordinance 158-O-090: Appropriate Additional U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development Funds for Program Year 2003 for the Community Development Block Grant Program and the HOME Investment Partnership Program to Modify the 2003 Budget**

Lewinski said every year they estimate their budgets. Last year their estimates were slightly lower due to new census data. This ordinance asks for the acceptance of grant money and the ability to reprogram it into the program.

**MOTION:** Haukohl moved, Manke second, to approve Ordinance 158-O-090: Appropriate Additional U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development Funds for Program Year 2003 for the Community Development Block Grant Program and the HOME Investment Partnership Program to Modify the 2003 Budget. **Motion carried:** 6-1 (Kolb voted no).

**Correspondence**

Dwyer said a list of the correspondence will be placed in Supervisors' mailboxes after the meeting.

**Motion to Adjourn**

**MOTION:** Paulson moved, Haukohl second, to adjourn the meeting at 8:50 a.m. **Motion carried:** 7-0.

Respectfully submitted,

Duane E. Paulson  
Secretary